I.C.P.O. Calendar

20-28 January 2005

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I.C.P.O. Calendar (Jan 20 - 28, 2005)
Islands, Castles & Portable Operations
Operations are listed by start date (Day/Month/Year)
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20/01/2005: New DX trip to Comprida Island (IOTA SA-024) for Transequatorial Propagation experiences, now with better antennas and longer time. Ark, PY2ZX, and Luiz, PY2OC, will be QRV January 20-26th from Comprida Island, State of Sao Paulo, Brazil (WW Loc. GG64bx). Activity will be on 6 meter, 2 meter and 70 centimeter SSB, CW and FM. They will be using FT100D, FT480, HTs and broadcasting receivers along with the following antennas: 2 x 14 ele 144 MHz, 17 ele 440 MHz, 3 ele 50 MHz; single 14 ele 144 MHz, beams for FM-TV rx. Look for them on 50,110 MHz; 144,200 MHz; 144,300 MHz (TEP); 144,930 MHz (FM); 432,100 MHz. They are looking for skeds and partners from the Caribbean side (E-mail: py2zx@terra.com.br). QSL PY2OC via direct or bureau, PY2ZX via direct. [Tnx PY2ZX]

21/01/2005: The 3Y0X team members are scheduled to depart Punta Arenas January 14th. The activity from Peter I Island is expected to take place between January 21st and February 4th, depending on weather. Nine stations will be active on the following suggested frequencies: CW: 1822.5, 3523, 7023, 10103, 14023, 18073, 21023, 24893 and 28023 kHz; SSB: 1842.5, 3750, 7073, 14190, 18165, 21295, 24987 and 28475 kHz; Digital: 10148, 14088, 18105, 21100, 24949 and 28092 kHz. These frequencies have been chosen to allow the team to occasionally activate as many as three stations on one band at the same time, in order to take full advantage of openings. There will be four pilot stations, namely Don Greenbaum/N1DG (don@goldtel.net, for North & South America), Klaus Wagner/DL1XX (dl1xx@gmx.net, for Europe, Africa & Middle East), Toshi Kusano/JA1ELY (ja1ely@bb.mbn.or.jp, for the Pacific Rim & Asia), Lee Jennings/ZL2AL (leejen@paradise.net.nz, for Australia & New Zealand). QSL via K4YL (Mike Grose, P.O. Box 183, Flat Rock, NC 28731-0183, USA). For further information on the DXpedition, and how to contribute to its success, please visit www.peterone.com (where on line logs, daily updates and pictures from the team on the island will be available in due course). [Tnx 425DXN]

21/01/2005: Poel Island EU-098 will be taken from the IOTA-List effective 1st of February 2005. (Poel does not meet the 200m-rule anymore, the island merges more and more with the mainland). Frank, DL2SWW and Ric, DL2VFR will go to Poel for a last IOTA-operation January 21-23rd. Activity will be on all HF bands, CW and SSB. Poel counts for the German Island Award as O-02 (and thats beyond the 1st of February ...). Sidetrip to Lighthouses FED-236, FED-092, FED-093 possible. Frank and Ric hope to meet you on the air to say "farewell" to an IOTA-island. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [Tnx F5NQL]

21/01/2005: Augusto, I2JJR/p, will be acative January 21 from a new DCI reference for the Italian Castles Award (DCI VA-065). This reference is located in the Region of Lombardia, Province of Varese (VA). Activity will begin on 40 meters (7045 or 7065 kHz) and then move to 20 meters

(14267 kHz) SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx I2JJR]

21/01/2005: Salvatore, IK1AWV/p, plans to be QRV January 21st from the Fortified Residence of Rezzo (DCI reference IM-059, for the Italian Castles Award). If possible he will also try to activate the Towers of the Rezzo Castle (DCI IM-058). Both references are located in the Region of Liguria, Province of Imperia (IM). Activity will be on 40 and 20 meters. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx IK1AWV]

21/01/2005: John (G4RCG) and Bruce (KI7VR) will operate as KP2/G4RCG and KP2/KI7VR from St. Croix, Virgin Islands (NA-106) between January 21st and February 6th. John will participate in the CQ 160m CW Contest (January 29-30th) as KP2ZZ. QSL for both calls is via G4OOC, direct or bureau. [Tnx 425DXN]

22/01/2005: Operators Gyuri HA5JI, Szabo HA5SX, Gyorgy VE3NZ and Lali VE3NE will be active from the Madeira Islands between January 22nd and February 3rd. They will be an entry in the CQWW 160m CW Contest as CT9M. QSL via operators' instructions. [Tnx OPDX]

22/01/2005: Look for Franco, IK4DCS/p, to be active January 22nd from the Castle of Valeggio on the Mincio (DCI reference VR-025, for the Italian Castles Award) and from the Bridge and Towers Viscontee di Borghetto to Valeggio on the Mincio (DCI reference VR-040). Both references are located in the Region of Veneto, Province of Verona (VR). Activity will be on 40 and 20 meter CW and SSB, starting around 13:00 UTC. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx IK4DCS]

22/01/2005: Look for Bert, MJ/PA3GIO/p, to be active January 22-27th from the Isle of Jersey (IOTA EU-013, WAB: WV 64). Activity will be on all bands. QSL via home call, prefers bureau. [Tnx NG3K]

24/01/2005: Roger, G4IPE, will be QRV January 24-30th as 9H3RW from Malta (IOTA EU-023). Activity will be mainly on 20 meter SSB (IOTA frequency 14.260 MHz). QSL via home call, direct (QRZ.com) or bureau. [Tnx G4IPE]

25/01/2005: Tibi, HA7TM, will be active January 25 to February 3rd as 3B8/HA7TM from Mauritius Island (IOTA AF-049). Activity will be on 40 through 10 meters, including WARC, 100 watts into a four band GP antenna. After his operation here, he will go to Brazil between February 21st and March 2nd, and be active as HA7TM/PT7. His QTH will be Fortalese. QSL cards are "OK" via the HA bureau or direct using the QRZ.com address. [Tnx OPDX]

25/01/2005: Wojtek, SP8MI, will operate as HF8IARU between January 25th and March 6th to celebrate the 80th anniversary of IARU and the 75th anniversary of PZK, the national IARU Society for Poland. QSL direct to home call (Wojtek Wlodzimierz Gelo, P.O. Box 27, PL 38-700 Ustrzyki Dln., Poland). [Tnx 425DXN]

25/01/2005: Thomas, KC0W, will be active from Martinique (IOTA NA-107, DIFO FM-001) as TO0O from January 27th to February 13th. Look for him to be active in the CQ WW 160m CW Contest (January 29-30th) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. QSL direct to KC0W (w/SASE or 1 USD). [Tnx OPDX]

26/01/2005: Curt, W3HQ will operate from Virgin Gorda, British Virgin Islands (NA-023) for the CQ WW 160 Meter CW Contest. Start looking for

him on that band from January 26th to February 5th using the call W3HQ/VP2V. He will accept skeds (w3hq@arrl.net) up to 22 January. [Tnx 425DXN]

27/01/2005: Charlie, HA8IB and Eli, HA9RE will be active (callsigns TBA) January 27th to February 22nd from Rotuma (OC-060). They plan to operate on 160-10 meter CW, SSB and RTTY with two stations, and to participate in the CQ WW 160 Meter CW and ARRL DX CW contests. [Tnx 425DXN]

27/01/2005: A Cuban ham radio group will be QRV January 27-31st from Cayo Jutia Island (IOTA NA-093), Los Colorados, Pinar del Rio Province. The team members and QSL routes are as follows: Lazaro CO2WL/p (QSL via EA3ESZ), Jorge CO3LF/p (QSL via IZ8EBI - P.O. Box 364, 87100 Cosenza - ITALY), Jorge CO3JN/p (QSL via IZ8EBI), Juan CO3CJ/p (QSL via IZ8EBI) and Gamboa CO3VK/p (QSL via IZ8EBI). Activity will be on SSB and PSK31, using their personal calls. Frequencies: SSB - 1950, 3770, 7090, 14260, 18145, 21260, 24945 and 28450 kHz; PSK31 - 1838, 3600, 7070, 10110, 14070, 18100, 21070, 24920 and 28120 kHz. Please note that this is not a big expedition. All operators will use their own rigs and the antennas will be wire based. There are no facilities on this wild island and the operators will not be accomodated in any type of resort. They will not be using any planes, helicopters or sail-boats! Unfortunately there will be no sponsor, big or small. So it is recommended that you have lots of PATIENCE and FAIR-PLAY; may the Ham Spirit be with you during your QSO attempts. [Tnx IZ8CCW]

28/01/2005: Jon, N0JK, will be active from Bermuda (IOTA NA-005) as VP9/N0JK between January 28 and 31st. His primary purpose is a low power entry in the CQ WW 160 CW Contest. Jon has upgraded his 160m antenna to an Inverted L, which is now showing a "3 S-unit" improvement compared to his prior 160m anatenna. Look for him outside of the contest on 60 and 6 meters. [Tnx OPDX]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

29/01/2005: Frank, DL1JFI, will be active from Fuerteventura Island (IOTA AF-004, DIE S-006, EAA: GC) between January 29th and February 5th. Activity will be on all bands, mostly CW. QSL via home call (QRZ.com). [Tnx DL1JFI]

31/01/2005: Roger, G4IPE, will be QRV January 31st to February 2nd as 9H3RW from Gozo Island (IOTA EU-023). Activity will be mainly on 20 meter SSB (IOTA frequency 14.260 MHz). QSL via home call, direct (QRZ.com) or bureau. [Tnx G4IPE]

03/02/2005: Rich, PA0RRS, will be QRV February 3-13th as 9M6/PA0RRS from Sabah, East Malaysia, Borneo island (IOTA OC-088). QSL via home call, direct (Richard Smeets, Schoorveken 100, 5121NM Rijen, The Netherlands) or bureau. [Tnx PA0RRS]

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73 and Good Hunting!
Dave Raycroft - VA3RJ

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